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## GEORGE WASHINGTON WINS FROM VIRGINIA.

Our Debaters Awarded the Decision.

Alvin L. Newmyer, Law, '06.  
Marcus H. Burnstine, Law, '06.  
Edward P. Gates, College, '08.

To these young men is to be credited the honor of adding another debating victory to George

University.

Virginia had the choice of sides and had selected the negative.

Mr. Newmyer, the first speaker for the affirmative, was then introduced. He announced that the affirmative did not propose to quibble over technicalities, that the debate was one of ideas and principles and not of words. He outlined the question as the affirmative would proceed to prove their

fits resulting from such method of controlling their creation. He stated that this was the only way by which the dangers arising from over-capitalization and false promotion could be checked. He mentioned the National Banks as a striking example, and proof of both the practicability and efficiency of Federal control.

Mr. A. Herbert Foreman on the negative, objected to this plan as

products, and to restrain the improper acts of the corporations. He stated that the results sought by the affirmative might be more satisfactorily reached by a uniformity of State laws as in the case of the Negotiable Instruments Law which has been adopted in nearly all the States. He further showed how the so-called trusts might evade any Federal law by organizing subsidiary com-



EDWARD P. GATES

Washington's list. Four times have our teams met the best debaters from our proud rival, the University of Virginia, and three have we wrested from them the palms of victory. We have found them foemen worthy of our steel, and the decisions have been won only through the thorough and studious work of the debaters.

Honorable John Wesley Gaines, Member of Congress from Tennessee, presided, and seated with him on the platform, were President Needham, Dean Vance, Dean Hodgkins, Dean Philips and Professors Cleplane, Swisher and Lorenzen.

The presiding officer, after introductory remarks, read the question, which was: "Resolved, That the United States Government should exercise control over the formation and operation of all corporations engaged in Inter-State Commerce." The teams were announced, and the Board of Judges, which consisted of Dean William Draper Lewis, of the University of Pennsylvania, Law School; Professor Maurice Francis Egan, of the Catholic University of America; and Professor Ernest Ludlow Bogart, of Princeton



MARCUS H. BURNSTINE

side, naming first the evils arising out of the present system of control over corporations engaged in Inter-State business, and stating secondly, that State control was ineffective, and thirdly, that the affirmative would show that Federal control was effective. He made it evident that some remedy was demanded for existing conditions, and showed wherein State control had been and would be deficient.

Mr. Clifford C. Faires, speaking first on the negative, admitted that present conditions were not ideal, but asserted that Federal control was not a panacea for all evils. He further asserted that control by the Federal Government was impracticable and would give rise to other evils. He mentioned as one deterrent factor the very great loss which would result to the State in taxes which could not be levied by the States on corporations under National law.

Mr. Burnstine continued the affirmative argument by contending that Federal control was both practicable and effective. He outlined the plan of granting Federal charters to corporations primarily engaged in Inter-State commerce and enumerated the bene-



ALVIN L. NEWMYER

inexpedient at this time, and as being too intricate and complicated to be efficient. He raised the point that the question discriminated against partnerships and individuals engaged in the same business as the corporations coming under this control. As a further objection he stated that the tendency of Federal control is always toward Federal ownership.

The argument of Mr. Gates was confined to the points at issue and was very effective. He declared that there were only two possible remedies for the evils which the affirmative had admitted now existed. The corporations must be controlled either by the State or the Federal Government. He insisted that State control was no control, and that, if the States had failed so miserably in controlling the creation of corporations it would be useless to extend the power of the States to regulate their operation. The plan of the affirmative, he said, would make the good State laws national in scope.

Mr. Lee Bidgood replied that State control was ineffective only because the States had no control over the corporation after its creation. He advocated giving the State the power to control trust



L. G. SHELTON, ALTERNATE

panies managed by the same persons within the several States, and ostensibly doing a purely intrastate business. They could thus indirectly conduct their business as at present, and be immune from Federal interference.

The rebuttal arguments were largely a repetition of the earlier speeches. Mr. Gates reasserted that the question was between State and Federal control, and that State control having been proved ineffective should not be further considered. Mr. Burnstine insisted that any delegation of power to the States as suggested by the speakers on the negative was unconstitutional. Mr. Newmyer closed with a clear and concise summary of the points brought out and proved in the course of the debate.

The new contract between the two Universities requires that the decision of the Judges shall be reached without consultation, each Judge writing the result of his own opinion on a slip of paper, which is sent to the presiding officer. After Mr. Gaines read the votes, he announced that the unanimous decision was for the affirmative.



### Needham Debating Society

A regular meeting of the Needham Debating Society was held in the University Hall, December 8, 1905.

The meeting was presided over by Mr. Beeler, the recently elected President for the ensuing term. The debate was a very interesting one, the question being, "Resolved, That Industrial Combinations Commonly Known as Trusts are Detrimental to the Laboring Classes."

Affirmative Negative.  
Schommer, J. B. Margeson, W. C. Frayser, F. Lundy, E. A. Beeler, Adam Baker, A. G.

Owing to the unavoidable absence of the Debaters, some of whom are to debate in the Inter-Collegiate debate, the chair appointed the following men to fill the vacancies: Messrs. Dobbins and Thomson for the affirmative; and Messrs. Smith, Betts, and Patterson, J. F., for the Negative. Many very important and instructive points were brought out by both sides which were advantageous to the inter-society debaters.

While the judges were deliberating, many took the opportunity to express their views on the subject. Many valuable thoughts were brought out in the arguments which were introduced by the many speakers for both sides, but the greater number seemed to be in favor of the negative side of the question; and, as a matter of fact, this is the side to be upheld by the Needham Society on next Friday, when the two debating societies of the Law school will debate the following question: "Resolved, That Great Industrial Combinations, Commonly Known as Trusts, are Detrimental to the Wage Earning Classes."

The Judges decided in favor of the affirmative. Mr. Dobbins, who made a most excellent speech, won first honors, and Mr. J. F. Patterson, who also made a very creditable showing, a new man of whom the society has just cause to be proud, won second honors.

Mr. Kennedy reported for the Executive Committee that Mr. Blackburn had been suggested to the Columbian Society as a judge for the coming debate.

### Inter-Society Debate

Teams representing the Columbian and Needham Debating Societies will meet in University Hall on Friday evening of this week, for the first inter-society debate of the year. Several of the men selected by the two societies are well-known in the University for their debating ability, and a good contest is assured.

The question will be: "Resolved, That the effect of great combinations, commonly known as trusts, is detrimental to the best interests of the wage-earning classes." This question, slightly modified, has been submitted for the debate with the University of Cincinnati next April. The Needham Society decided to uphold the

negative and its team will consist of Messrs. John T. Kennedy, Elmer J. Lundy and Lewis B. Jerkins. The Columbian Society will be represented by Messrs Albert C. Agnew, Morris Stern and Alvin L. Newmyer.

### Delta Tau Delta

#### Initiation of Members and Annual Banquet Last Tuesday.

Over sixty members of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity witnessed the initiation and attended the banquet of the local chapter of that fraternity last Tuesday evening.

The initiation took place at 7 o'clock at the chapter house, 1902 H Street, when the following men became members of the fraternity:

Charles Jenkins, Loren H. Call, Burton R. Green and Walter A. Sommers of the District of Columbia; C. Louis Allen and E. G. Smith of South Dakota; E. W. Ross of North Carolina and E. L. Reed of Ohio, and Maurice M. Moore, of Michigan.

Following the initiation a banquet was given in the main banquet hall of the Raleigh Hotel, with Fred S. Tyler serving as toastmaster. It was one of the largest and most enthusiastic fraternity banquets ever held in Washington. The hall was decorated with university and fraternity flags, pennants and banners, while the table, in the form of a huge T and covered with roses and chrysanthemums, presented a beautiful sight. Songs and yells abounded, and even the oldest members forgot their dignity and joined in the choruses.

The list of toasts was a splendid one, including Senator Albert J. Hopkins, Representative James R. Mann and Representative Champ Clark, all of whom responded.

The full list of toasts follows: "Delta Tau's Welcome," A. M. Beeler, Gamma Eta, '06; "Initiates' Response," C. Louis Allen, Gamma Eta, '08; "The Delt in Active Life," Representative James R. Mann, Upsilon, '76; "Schoes of the Karnea," Charles S. Smith, Omicron, '97; "Reminiscences," Senator Albert J. Hopkins, Kappa, '70; "Deltaism," Representative Champ Clark, Theta, '73; "The Passing Active," G. Langdon Whitford, Gamma Eta, '05.

### Columbian Debating Society

At the regular debate of the Columbian Society last Friday night, the subject of capital punishment was debated. The affirmative won the decision and first honor was awarded to Mr. C. A. Miller and second to Mr. D. H. McLean.

The faculty of Washington and Lee, following the precedent of the senior class, has decided to wear caps and gowns at all public functions, and on these occasions to march into chapel in a body.

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## The University Bulletin

The recent number of *The George Washington University Bulletin* contains the following extracts from criticisms of books by professors of the University.

Of the "Handbook of the Law of Insurance," by Professors William R. Vance, *The Columbia Law Review* says: "In his very modest preface the author tells us that this work has been elaborated from his lecture notes as they were experimentally developed through several years spent in teaching the law of insurance. His experience in the lecture room has been of great value to him, evidently, in the preparation of this book. It has disclosed to him the numerous topics in this branch of the law, upon which judicial decisions are uncertain or discordant, and convinced him that these topics should receive the most careful attention. As a result we have a thoroughly systematic and well-proportioned treatise upon insurance law. For the student's use, the book could not be easily improved. The statements of principles are always clear and definite; its arrangement of topics is excellent; its criticisms of authorities searching but fair, and its classification of decisions often results in bringing order out of apparent chaos. His analysis and criticism of the Northern Assurance Case is an admirable performance. It ought to lead the Supreme Court to a reconsideration of the doctrine announced by the majority in that case and to a return to the views expressed in *Union Mutual Life Insurance Co. vs. Wilkinson*, as well as in most of the best considered decisions on this topic in the state courts."

The *Virginia Law Register* says: "The author of this work is well-known to the profession of this State. He was formerly dean of the law faculty of Washington and Lee University, where for several years he taught the law of insurance. His work, therefore, will be of peculiar value to the Virginia lawyer, who can be sure that Mr. Vance has not overlooked any principle of the law of insurance as enunciated by our Virginia courts. While a resident of this State, Mr. Vance impressed the profession as a profound student of the law, and this new book will be received with weight both by the bench and bar."

Of "The Organization and Management of Business Corporations," by Walter C. Clephane, LL.M., Professor of Laws, The Forum says:

"This is not a book purporting to throw further light on the substantive law of corporations. It is rather intended as a manual for the young practitioner or law student who desires to know exactly how to apply general principles. Starting with the request of the client that his business be incorporated, it tells the attorney how to go through the successive stages essential to a valid and successful organization. We know of no

other book that does just this, and to the large body of lawyers who are but seldom called on to do work of this kind and are therefore lacking in the practical knowledge to be gained by connection for a long time with a firm of corporation lawyers, the book will prove very useful. It is a book on corporation practice rather than on corporation law, but in so far as an understanding of principles is necessary to the proper organization and management of corporations the general principles are stated. The important practical question as to where to incorporate or the selection of a domicile is made easy of solution by a compact presentation of the chief merits and demerits of the corporation laws of a dozen or more states. The book throughout is eminently practical and popular in style and we can recommend it to the profession and to that large class of lawyers who are connected with corporations and feel the need of a handbook of this kind."

*The Business Man's Magazine*, March, 1905, says:

"The need of a comprehensive and authoritative digest of the laws governing the organization and management of business corporations is most marked in this day. The book before us is a digest of a series of lectures given by Mr. Clephane before his students in the George Washington University. Mr. Clephane brings to the subject a very wide experience in corporation matters and has succeeded in placing between the covers of this book a very useful and thorough fund of information. Many forms used in connection with different papers, both in the process of organization and the conduct of corporations, give the book additional value, especially to those who have had no previous experience in the work."

## College News

Sheffield Scientific School at Yale has received a bequest of \$250,000, two thirds of the annual income of which is to be devoted to "the promotion of the study of the physical, natural and mathematical sciences," the remainder to be added to the principal till the whole income amounts to \$50,000 a year, when the whole income is to be used for the same purpose. The University of Michigan has completed an addition to the physics building, at a cost of \$23,000. An amphitheater seating 400 students, and four new laboratories are provided.

Williams, Brown and Dartmouth have organized a triangular debating league which is to hold a series of debates on a selected subject, each college sustaining the affirmative at home and the negative on its opponent's floor.

Cornell is to have a push-ball team. The Cornell Club of New York has presented the University with a ball costing \$150.00 and class teams are being organized to play the game.

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We regret that it has become necessary to call attention to the conduct of some students, who are supposed to have reached the age when "kiddishness" is laid aside and to know how to conduct themselves in polite society. We do not advocate becoming old and settled as old men before one's time; we delight in seeing all young men happy and full of life and spirits, but there is a great difference in displaying an excess of spirits at a proper and an improper time, before those to whom more respect should be shown. There are a half-dozen students in a particular class, who make themselves obnoxious to the rest of the students and lower themselves in the estimation of both professors and fellow students by an entirely unnecessary amount of noise of mouth and foot so much so that one professor ventured to suggest that perhaps they had more brain in their feet than elsewhere. Those that come to class to get the most out of the hour condemn all such silly conduct, knowing besides, that as

members of a class in which such conduct is seen, they must bear some of the odium that attaches to the whole class on account of the conduct of a few rowdies.

For an important matter as the debate last Saturday night, entirely too few students attended. Every one that could possibly do so ought to have been there to encourage our debaters by showing a deep interest in their efforts on behalf of the University and to congratulate them in the event of victory. One who has never undertaken to uphold the reputation of his university in intercollegiate debate has no idea of the amount of self-sacrifice and work that it entails and all the returns is the appreciation and approval of those for whom they labor.

Then there is the matter of a fund with which to pay the expenses necessarily incident to such a debate. The students should be willing to contribute that small amount as their part of student responsibility for a University concern.

### Senior Dance

The Senior Dance held in the library last Friday night, Dec. 1st, was a scene of beauty and a joy as long as it lasted. The decorations were unique, seasonable and beautiful and gave unquestionable evidence of the artistic ability of the committee in charge. Over the arch of the north window were the words "Senior Class" in golden letters. Each incandescent light represented a gilded pumpkin with jack-o-lantern face. There were ferns, and flowers growing up out of pumpkins and the punch bowl was set into a hugh pumpkin, cut into fantastic shape. The book cases and windows were framed in high, nodding corn stalks, laden with ripe, golden corn and clothed in rustling leaves.

The floor was well waxed and the musicians were stationed in the hall, to give more room for the dancers. Fine refreshments were served in West Hall. Guests of honor were Dr. and Mrs. Hodgkins, and Dr. and Mrs. Hough.

### College of Engineering

The College has just received a valuable gift of some machinery, for wood working. The gift, which is valued at about \$1,000, includes a double bracket circular saw, a complete wood planer, together with countershafts, belting, etc. A 12-horse power gasoline engine is also included.

This machinery is practically as good as new, having been used but for one afternoon. The operation kicked up such a racket that the neighbors protested, with the result that the shop was closed. This gift was presented to the College, through Mr. Edwin C. Brandenburg, by a client of his,

whose name is for the present withheld from publication. It is planned to move the machinery from its present location to the Van Ness building, where it will be installed on Saturday.

At the present time we are the proud possessors of several steam engines, but as far as we can see, there is no means provided for generating motive power. Now, if these engines were only intended to be run with hot air, instead of steam, all that would be necessary would be to connect them with the student's reception room, in the College building, when we would have power enough and to spare.

Professor Betts has taken the matter up and in all probability will detail Messrs. Albert, Ball, Easterday and Sterret, to try to solve the problem of utilizing some of the energy going to waste in the said room. Good luck to them!

### MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

On last Tuesday afternoon was held a preliminary meeting of the Board of Trustees. Several committees were appointed to look after different subjects in connection with the College. Some time this week the Board will meet again, when they will elect the Dean of the new College and appoint the Faculty. It is expected that the Faculty will remain pretty much as it is now. That is, the same professors will lecture in both colleges, although several may give their entire time to the College of Engineering.

### Mrs. Hough's Recital

By an oversight this article failed to appear earlier.

A number from the Faculty and student body of the University had the great pleasure of being present at the piano and song recital given in the Banquet Hall of the New Willard last Friday evening, November 24, by the Washington College of Music. The great feature of the evening was the perfect rendering of selections from Rubenstein, Grunfeld, Leschetizky, Schutt, and Moszkowski by Mrs. Williston S. Hough. From the many comments of musical critics on her work we quote the following from the Washington Post: "Her method and technique are finished and artistic. Her articulation is clear and distinct, and her enchanting touch is full of sweetness and tenderness. She has the soul of an artist, and a delightful discrimination of all the shades of musical expression. Her playing is not lacking in fire, and she plays the most difficult passages with power and brilliancy."

Dr. R. S. Bassler, Instructor in Geology, spent the summer at work on the Paleozoic rocks of Virginia and Tennessee and has secured many specimens and photographs of geologic interest which will be used in his class work during 1905-'06.

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DEAN WILLIAM A. WILBUR

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It is with the greatest pleasure that we announce the election of Prof. William Allen Wilbur as permanent Dean of Columbian College. Dean Wilbur came to us in 1895, as Dean of Columbian Academy, the prep. school which was then part of the University. He held this office until 1897, when the Academy was abandoned and he was made professor of English in the University. In this capacity he taught both in the college and the Corcoran Scientific School which necessitated his teach both day and night, and yet, so great was his capacity for work, that the last class in the evening received the same sincere and thoughtful attention as the first class in the morning.

In 1902, the trustees created the office of corresponding secretary of the University and acting on the principle that if anything is to be done, get the busiest man possible to do it, they elected Professor Wilbur to this office.

He acted in this double capacity until the reorganization of the University under President Needham's administration.

This reorganization provided for the consolidation of the College and the Corcoran Scientific School under the name of the Columbian College and as this was merely a temporary organization until the details of incorporation could be completed, it was decided to have at the head of the College only an acting Dean. Prof. Wilbur was chosen for this office and has so endeared himself to all the students and professors, and indeed, to all who have had any dealings with him that it was without the least hesitation that the trustees elected him permanent Dean, upon the completion of the College. This action was taken at their last meeting, about two weeks ago, but is now for the first time made public.

Before coming here, Dean Wil-

bur was a teacher at Vermont Academy, Saxton's River, Vt., 1888-89; instructor in Latin, Colby Academy, New London, N. H., 1889-90; and instructor in History and English Literature, Howard Seminary, Mass., 1890-95.

He was born in Mystic, Conn., August, 15 1864; graduated from Brown University, 1888; and received his M. A. degree in 1894.

He was chosen by his class as class poet, an office which has been filled by many prominent men at Brown. Upon graduation he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa and is also a prominent member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity.

### Miscellaneous

Professor W. R. Vance has been re-appointed by President Peck, of the American Bar Association, a member of the Association's Committee on Insurance Law.

The Southern California Alumni Association of The George Washington University has been formed with headquarters at 328 South Spring Street, Los Angeles, California. George Russell Duncan, of the Law Class of 1901, is the President.

Rev. B. Alfred Dumm, Ph.D., of this University, 1900, Pastor of the First Church of Stoneham, Mass., gave the annual address at the opening of the Boston School of Expression on "The University Implications of Expression."

The members of the Medical Noble-Prize Committee, upon nomination of the Senate of the Caroline Medico-Chirurgical Institute of Stockholm, have invited Dr. James Carroll, Professor of Bacteriology and Pathology, to propose a candidate for the Nobel Prize in the section "Physiology and Medicine," to be conferred during the year 1906.

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## Medical

### SENIOR.

We congratulate Mr. Mead Moore, President of the Senior Medical Class on his election to the executive chair of the Association of Class Presidents.

The other members of that Association also deserve credit for their excellent choice.

Dr. Eben Wesley White, Jr., (weight 8½ pounds), delivered his first illustrative lecture on vocal development last Friday morning at 10.00 o'clock, and will continue his specialty every night throughout the year.

Dr. White, Sr., is the greatest living authority on and has written quite a volume about "The Appearance of the First Tooth," and, since Eben Wesley, Jr., will, no doubt, lend his hearty co-operation, we look forward to more scientific facts on that subject.

Jack Hart, of The Hatchet Class has recently taken up his abode in one of the United States, viz: Matrimony.

He has our best wishes for future happiness and we trust that the "Hart to Hart" talks, which naturally follow such an alliance, will not interfere in any way with his medical studies.

A number of the boys in the Junior and Sophomore Classes are still laughing at the able speech which was delivered by "Sunny Jim" in the Bacteriological Laboratory, last Friday evening.

Lest there be some mistake, we will state that the "Sunny Jim," for whom the three rousing cheers were given, is a member of The Hatchet Class—not the other. Are you all on?

Dr. Carroll, (lecturing on the philaria): "The disease that this germ is the cause of is common to tropical climates. It is seen in Porto Rico and the Philippines—and a case developed in Alexandria last year."

We agree that things become rather warm in the old Virginia city about as often as a Democratic President is elected, but don't believe that that would justify speaking of it as a "tropical climate."

### SOPHOMORE.

The vacancy in the office of Treasurer of the Sophomore Class caused by the resignation of Mr. Charles Wheatley has been filled by the election of Mr. Castelle. We offer our congratulations.

Dr. W. P. Carr is with us once more. The boys appreciate his physiology quizzes and we hope he will continue to be with us. By the way, fellows, the Doctor says there are some things people do not understand about the brain.

We have been told that among several members of the fair sex, it is the custom to use peroxide on the hair, but regret exceedingly to know that Mr. Horgan is addicted to carbol fuchsin.

Speaking of Bacteriology, Mr.

J. T. Wolf says he hasn't the Ramosus idea.

And, speaking of Wolfs, Mr. R. D. Wolf is progressing nicely at the hospital, and we hope to have him with us very shortly.

Mr. Avery will spend the week before Christmas behind the counter for Goldsmith & Son, jewellers and diamond merchants. It is recommended that any gentleman contemplating the purchase of carbon in the crystallized form for purposes sentimental or otherwise will do well to give him a call.

From Dr. Shute's diagram of the nervous system, it might appear that if a fellow's foot is tickled he would wink his eye. Ha, Ha!

Dunnire, do you know what they mean when they talk of the "foolish virgin?"

In order that the due importance of the Sophomore class may be felt, it is thought fit to mention here that the following propositions have been proven by its members during the past few weeks. It has been found that:

Kissing produces lockjaw.

Music is antiseptic.

Love is a disease of the medulla oblongata.

A Cabbage contains more nourishment than 12 eggs.

The American negro is gradually becoming yellow.

A Junebug has seven stomachs.

Marriage is a form of insanity.

IN THE YEAR 2000.

Give me a spoon of oleo, ma,

And the sodium alkali;

For I am going to make a pie, mamma,

I'm going to make a pie.

For John will be hungry and tired, ma,

And his tissues will decompose;

So give me a gram of phosphate

And the carbon and cellulose.

Now give me a chunk of casein, ma,

To shorten the thermic fat;

And give me the oxygen bottle, ma,

And look at the thermostat.

And if the electric oven is cold,

Just turn it on half an ohm,

For I want to have supper ready,

As soon as John comes home.

FRESHMEN.

At the regular class meeting, Saturday, Dec. 9, Mr. Laurence F. Simonton was elected an associate editor of the "Hatchet" for 1906.

We are glad to have in our class Mr. Moffett Bradley, captain of the "Varsity Base Ball Team" and Mr. Douglass McEnery, ass't manager of the team.

An excellent exhibition of fencing at the new Y. M. C. A. building, Saturday evening last, was participated in by one of our members, Mr. Micheloni.

Messrs. Ashbell, Fair, McLaughlin, McEnery, Brooks, Clark, Harris, Eldridge, Wieler, and Collins, have been chosen members of the floor committee of the Students' Ball.

It would hardly be fair to tell on those two members of the class who were seen talking to a couple

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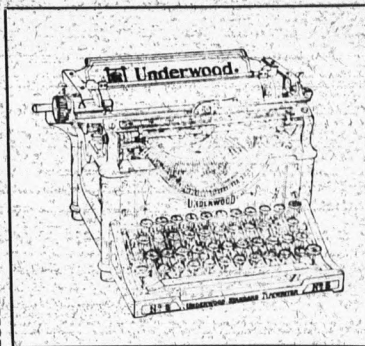
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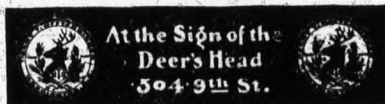
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## The Hatchet Class

"I did it with my little hatchet" is a phrase which may be used most properly by the Medical Class of 1907, for it is The Hatchet Class, and that suggestive emblem of the Immortal George that will play an important role in all of its functions during the junior and senior years.

### INITIATION OF THE CUSTOM.

The hatchet custom was initiated by the Medical Class of 1905, which was the original Hatchet class, and has for its object the stimulation of Class Spirit and University Loyalty. This custom is in line with the passing of the pipe which is a time-honored event in some of the large universities.

### BURYING THE HATCHET.

The Hatchet Class, in its senior year, buries the hatchet in a locked casket some where on the University property and challenges the junior class to find it.

The Committee entrusted with burying the hatchet is pledged to secrecy and no one else knows where the hatchet has been placed.

The act of *burying the hatchet* symbolizes what that phrase commonly conveys, that of marking an end of all contention and struggles between the junior and senior classes.

If the juniors find the casket before the Senior Class Day they become the Hatchet class by right of discovery and the key will be presented them at the Senior Class Day exercises, thus making a formal transfer of the diminutive axe.

If the juniors fail to find the hatchet before the class day it is disinterred by the seniors and presented to the sophomore class, which becomes a Hatchet class and perpetuates the custom. That is what happened last year, the Ki Yi class was unsuccessful in its search and the honor of carrying the hatchet for two years fell to the class of 1907.

In regular succession a Hatchet class will come only once in two years and it will reflect much glory upon a class to achieve that honor by right of finding the buried casket. Thus it will be of interest to each member of an odd class to do everything in his power to help his class obtain the hatchet, and it will also be the duty of the members of the even classes to prevent it.

### PRIVILEGES OF A HATCHET CLASS.

The Hatchet Class enjoys the distinction of being the leading class in the Medical School, and its members have the place of honor at all University functions. It also has the privilege of engraving its last two numerals on the face of the hatchet.

### DESCRIPTION OF THE HATCHET.

The hatchet is of the George Washington type, made of aluminum bronze, artistically designed, is four inches long by two and a half inches wide by half-inch thick and is marked:

"THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY HATCHET; MEDICAL CLASS OF 1905."

The '07' of the present Hatchet class appears on the reverse side.

The handle is of the same metal and is ten inches long by three-quarter-inch in diameter. The hatchet is in a mahogany case, which is in turn placed in a steel casket, provided with a key.

### FOSTERS CLASS SPIRIT.

That the hatchet has answered the purpose for which it was founded is a well-known fact. Never before in the history of our institution has the rivalry between the two upper classes reached the magnitude of that which exists between The Hatchet and Ki Yi Classes. And rightly so, for each of these classes has done much toward the development of University interests, and their struggles for supremacy have been numerous.

### SHOULD PERPETUATE THE CUSTOM.

In closing, we wish to impress upon the under classes the importance of living up to this most excellent custom, which is sure to develop a spirit in the Medical School which will keep pace even with the rapid development of The Greater George Washington University.

## Alpha Kappa Kappa

The second initiation of Alpha Zeta chapter Alpha Kappa Kappa fraternity was held at the chapter rooms Thursday evening, December 7, 1905. Those initiated were W. Barry Burnell '06, Claire W. Burket '07, Louis B. Castell '08, John W. Sherwood '08, and Douglass W. McEnery '09.

Messrs. A. Camp Stanley and John S. Clifford are to represent Alpha Zeta chapter at the annual Grand Convention of the fraternity to be held at Milwaukee, Wis., during the Christmas holidays.

### WON THE POT.

That little hand!  
I hold it firm in mine  
And scan its outlines fine.  
My eyes expand,  
And grow with love intense and strong;  
I gazed upon it fond and long,  
That little hand!

That little hand!  
It is smooth, so pure and white,  
And covered o'er with diamonds quite,  
In beauty grand.  
Oh how I love it! See me press  
It to my lips in fond caress,  
That little hand!

That little hand!  
There are no others as fair as you!  
I lay you down, and gladly too,  
With manner bland.  
It was a diamond flush and straight!  
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That little hand!

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### Pi Beta Phi

On Saturday, December 9 the Columbia Alpha chapter, Pi Beta Phi entertained their sister chapter, Maryland Alpha of the Woman's College of Baltimore. The home girls met their visitors at the train and escorted them to a motor-car chartered for the occasion. The crowd visited many points of interest, chiefly the White House, where the girls were admitted to the Green Room, Red Room, Blue Room, and State Dining Room. After the ride thirty-five girls roamed through the college halls. At 2 a course luncheon was given at the Tea Cup Inn, after which the party adjourned to the Cumberland apartment and were entertained by Miss De Nesi, an alumna of the Baltimore chapter. Miss Frances Bethune rendered a few songs in a very pleasing manner, and the afternoon was pleasantly terminated by the singing of fraternity songs. It was a day of thorough enjoyment for both parties. Mrs. Vance chaperoned the affair.

The active chapter of Pi Beta Phi was invited to a social meeting of the alumnae at Miss Edna Stone's home on Rhode Island Avenue on December 5. Mrs. Andrews of the Board of Lady Managers of the St. Louis Exposition gave a most interesting talk on her experiences in that capacity.

Miss Taylor and Miss McKnew attended the Thanksgiving Hop at Annapolis.

### Dental

Porcelain inlay laboratory has been assigned to Friday night, from seven-thirty till nine-thirty.

Dr. Hagan has not yet determined whether the examination in oral surgery will be held before or after Christmas. It is believed that the majority of the senior class prefer a date after Christmas, so as to take advantage of the time for study afforded by the holidays.

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### College Days

Dear fellow when our college days are over,  
Those happy, happy days,  
And we by unrelenting fate divided,

Pursue our different ways,  
Then shall this spark of friendship  
ever glowing,  
Conceive eternal life;  
Lighting our pathway as we struggle onward  
Mid toil and strife.

Dear fellow Alma Mater's sacred name  
A talisman shall be,  
A bond of union binding us together  
For all eternity.

Life's sands run low, the ranks  
grow thin and thinner,  
Grief gathers fast, and care  
Once more, dear fellow, here's to  
Alma Mater,  
Our mother fair!